House Resolution No. 322

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are delighted to honor an outstanding individual who has witnessed dramatic changes in America during her sojourn on this most precious earth; and

Whereas, Joan Hodges of Tyler, Texas, will commemorate the resplendent occasion of her Seventieth Birthday with a special celebration on February 9, 2005; and

Whereas, on February 9, 1935, God brought a special gift to this great nation with the birth of an adorable infant by the name of Joan, who would put a twinkle in people's eyes and fill their hearts with love and joy; and

Whereas, an individual who has lived during an era of incredible progress, Joan Hodges was born the same year that the Social Security Act was signed into law, the Monopoly board game was patented in the United States, and filmmaker Alfred Hitchcock directed <u>The 39 Steps</u>; and

Whereas, Joan Hodges made her formal debut in 1935 along with such notable people as auto racer Anthony Joseph "A.J." Foyt, comedian/musician/actor Dudley Moore, and King of Rock 'N Roll Elvis Presley; and

Whereas, while celebrating her birthday, Joan Hodges will have the opportunity to reminisce about some of the significant events in her life such as her marriage to Bob Hodges and the births of their offspring; and

Whereas, the daughter of L.W. and Aline Denison Cooper, Joan Hodges has been blessed with the love and affection of a wonderful family of her own whose members include her husband, Bob Hodges; and five children, Debra, Karen, Lynda, Robert, and Sam; and

Whereas, at the respectable age of 70, Joan Hodges is extremely grateful for the countless blessings she has received throughout the course of her long and eventful life:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations and special birthday greetings to Joan Hodges at this significant milestone and in wishing her peace and contentment as she continues to enjoy her golden years; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Joan Hodges, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by		

Representative Charlie Denison District No. 135

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 322, adopted February 1, 2005.